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UTILIZATION IN 2,000 LB (1 TON UNITS)

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2002/2003 CROP ---

WEEK	M A R C H			A P R I L			TOTAL	TOTAL	FINAL
ENDING	15	22	29	5	12	19	THIS	LAST	LAST
							SEASON	SEASON	SEASON
APPALACHIAN	6,836	7,572	6,887	6,036	7,524*	5,965	226,497	306,586	350,644
CALIFORNIA	2,827	2,939	2,589	1,707	1,873	2,659	105,179	128,173	142,443
WASHINGTON	8,240	9,519	9,687	10,115	8,608	7,125	363,680	457,688	662,932
TOTAL	17,903	20,030	19,163	17,859	18,005	15,749	695,356	892,447	1,156,019

APPALACHIAN DISTRICT (VA, WV, MD, PA). . Processors continue to purchase western fruit. Apple bloom is heavy and in full swing in Virginia and West Virginia areas. Early varieties are nearing full bloom in Pennsylvania. Romes in Virginia are just starting to bloom this week. Bloom is extended due to a couple of warm days followed by cooler days. Early bee activity is reported as good and despite the heavy losses this winter, most pollinators have been able to fulfill contracts. Breezy, cool temperatures (low 30's) are predicted tonight.

Tons utilized the week ending April 19th - Juice 847; Canners 5,119; total to date this season 226,497; total to date last season 306,586 CORRECTION: Due to unreported tonnage the week ending April 12th, make juice read 1,071; canners 6.453; total to date this season 7,524.

CALIFORNIA...Utilization for week ending April 19th: Juice 2,447; total to date this season 91,082; total to date last season 112,660; Others 212; total to date this season 14,097; total to date last season 15,513.

MICHIGAN...Trading is active for the limited, light supplies of juice and process grade apples. Juice apples are moving both in and out of State. Many processors and the Michigan Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Association (MACMA) of the Farm Bureau continue to base purchase prices as follows: Price per cwt. delivered to plant or receiving station in Michigan: 2 1/2" & up Northern Spy & Jonathan.....\$12.00 Rome.....\$9.50

Idared.....\$11.00 Soft Varieties & Table Sorts.....\$8.00

Hard Varieties, including Empire & Golden Delicious.....\$10.00

Incentives such as box rental, storage & freight are offered to encourage delivery on tree run fruit. Juice apples range from \$6.50-7.70 f.o.b. Low temperatures on the morning of April 23rd may have damaged fruit buds located in lower elevated sites in Berrien County. Frosts occurred on the 24th as well, however it was calm both mornings & the duration of low temperatures was short. Scattered, low sites experienced temperatures as low as 23 degrees the first morning, while good to better sites experienced temperatures around 28 degrees. Apple trees were tight cluster to pink, while sweet cherries, pears & plums were blooming. Bud set for free fruit is heavier than normal this spring due to last seasons light crops, and this may well offset some losses from frost. Temperatures were several degrees warmer in the West-Central area where trees are in the early stages of development, so the potential for a strong bloom looks excellent.

WASHINGTON... Movement dropped again last week on both juice and peeler apples as diversions are still light. Some processing plants expect a few more peeler varieties to become available as additional storage rooms are opened. In some areas of Central Washington, Red Delicious trees are in full bloom which is about a week ahead of normal. A few nights, the end of last week, the official low was 29 degrees in Yakima but above freezing in Wenatchee. Wind machines and orchard heaters were used in colder areas but any damage is yet to be determined. Prices are unchanged.

Prices for 2002/2003 crop apples on Wednesday, April 23, 2003 F.O.B. packing house or receiving station per ton:

JUICE STOCK: Mostly Off-Line - All Varieties..... Mostly \$80.00, occasional higher

PEELERS: Mostly Off-Line - Golden Delicious..... Mostly \$140.00

Other Misc. Varieties.....Mostly \$120.00 Granny Smith.....Mostly \$130.00 Utilization for

week ending April 19th in tons: Juice 3,897; total to date this season 209,925; total to date last season 307,752.

Peelers 3,228; total to date this season 153,755; total to date last season 149,936.

NATIONAL SHIPPING POINT TRENDS

UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, SHIPMENTS ARE FOR THE WEEKS ENDING, MARCH 29, APRIL 5 & 12, 2003, IN THAT ORDER IN THOUSAND HUNDRED WEIGHT (100,000 LBS) UNITS. EXPECTED MOVEMENT IS FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 13-26, 2003. PRICES ARE FOR APRIL 14, 2003, COMPARED WITH MARCH 31, 2003. UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED SALES ARE F.O.B. SHIPPING POINT BASIS OR PORT OF ENTRY & EXTRA SERVICES ARE INCLUDED.

APPLES...

YAKIMA VALLEY & WENATCHEE DISTRICT WASHINGTON---Shipments 852-1015-613 (includes export 297-248-195)---Movement expected about the same. Trading Red Delicious fairly slow, others moderate. Prices generally unchanged. Cartons traypack, Washington Extra Fancy, Controlled Atmosphere Storage Red Delicious 72-88s mostly 12.00, 100-125s 10.00-11.00. Golden Delicious 72s 20.00-22.00, 80s mostly 18.00, 88s 18.00, 100s 12.00-14.00, 113s mostly 12.00, 125s 11.00-12.00. Granny Smith (including blush) 72-80s 16.00-18.00, 88s mostly 16.00, 100s 13.00-14.00, 113-125s 12.00-14.00. Galas (light supply in few hands) 72-80s 24.00-26.00, 88s 22.00-24.00, 100s 14.00-16.00, 113s mostly 14.00, 125s 12.00-13.00. Fuji 72-80s 20.00, 88s 18.00-20.00, 100s 14.00-16.00, 113-125s 14.00. Braeburn supply insufficient to establish a market. LAST REPORT FOR CONTROLLED ATMOSPHERE STORAGE BRAEBURNS. Quality generally good. Exports to: Bangladesh, Canada, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Greece, Hong Kong, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Israel, Kuwait, Malaysia, Mexico, Philippines, Russia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Trinidad-Tobago, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and Vietnam.

NEW YORK---Shipments 50-51-52**---Movement expected about the same. Trading moderate. Prices mostly unchanged. Controlled Atmosphere storage U.S. Extra Fancy cartons cell pack McIntosh 100s mostly 25.00-27.00, Empire 100s mostly 20.00-22.00, tray pack Law Rome 72s 14.00-16.00, 12 3-lb film bags 2-1/2" minimum or up McIntosh mostly 15.00, Empire 13.00-14.00, Red Delicious mostly 12.00, Law Rome mostly 11.00-12.00. **Includes 20 units from Western and Central New York.

CHILE---Imports 46-58-65---Imports via boat. Movement expected to decrease sharply by about fifty percent. Port of Entry: Los Angeles\Long Beach, CA. Trading moderate. Prices unchanged. Carton tray pack Granny Smith 70-90s 22.00-24.00, 100s 16.00-18.00, 100s 14.00-16.00, 110s 14.00-16.00; Royal Gala 70-90s 24.00-26.00, 100-110s 14.00-16.00, 120s 12.00-14.00. Quality good. Port of Entry: Philadelphia, PA\Camden, NJ\Wilmington, DE. Trading fairly slow. Prices unchanged. Carton tray pack Granny Smith 70-80s 18.00-20.00, 90s 16.00-18.00; Royal Gala 70-80s 18.00-21.00, 90s 14.00-16.00, 100-110s 12.00-14.00. Quality good.

MICHIGAN---Shipments 22-22*-25---Movement expected about the same. Trading slow. Prices mostly unchanged. Controlled Atmosphere storage cartons 12 3-lb film bags U.S. Extra Fancy 2-1/2" up Red Delicious and Golden Delicious mostly 11.00-13.00, Empire 12.00-14.00, Jonathan and Idared mostly 12.00-14.00, Law Rome 11.00-13.00. *Revised.

NEW ENGLAND---Shipments 10-7-9---Movement expected to decrease as shippers finish for the season. Trading moderate. Prices higher. Boston wholesale market Controlled Atmosphere storage cartons McIntosh 12-3 lb film bags U.S. No.1 2 3/8 inch min 11.00. Color generally good. Light shipments expected to continue for the next few weeks. LAST REPORT.

CHERRIES...

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA---Industry sources indicate the harvest projected to begin the week of April 28 on the Brooks variety from the southern portion in the Kern County area. Late season Pacific storm front brought precipitation throughout the San Joaquin Valley with measurable rainfall. This week, the weather is expected to remain unsettled with possibility of additional precipitation. Temperatures to remain unseasonably cool for most of the current week. FIRST REPORT.

NECTARINES...

CENTRAL & SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VLY DIST., CA---Many packers have indicated that harvesting may begin the last week of April in the Arvin area in the southern part of the San Joaquin District. Cooler weather along with rainfall may slow the start date a few days. Recent temperatures have been in the 60's during the day with night time lows in the low to mid 40's. FIRST REPORT.

PEACHES...

CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA---Very light shipments have begun in the southern most part of the district. However, most packers will begin later in the current period. Unseasonable weather has brought some cooler than normal temperatures and some rainfall. Daytime highs will be in the low 60's and night time lows in the 40's. Continued precipitation is expected for a few more days. Currently no F.O.B. is being issued. FIRST REPORT

PEARS...

YAKIMA VALLEY AND WENATCHEE DISTRICT WASHINGTON---Shipments 80-91-62 (includes exports 31-26-23)---Movement expected about the same. Trading moderate. Prices generally unchanged. Standard carton wrapped pack US One, Controlled Atmosphere Storage D'Anjou 70-90s 13.00-14.00, 100-110s mostly 13.00-14.00, 120-135ss 12.00-14.00. Quality generally good. Exports to: Canada, Hong Kong, Mexico, Philippines, Russia, Taiwan and Trinidad-Tobago.

ARGENTINA---Imports 60-30-28---Import via boat. Movement expected to remain about the same. Port of Entry: Philadelphia, PA\Camden, NJ\Wilmington, DE. Trading moderate. Prices 90 size lower, others unchanged. 18 kgm containers Williams Bartlett 70 size 16.00-18.00, 80 size 16.00-18.00, 90 size 12.00-14.00, 100 size 11.00-13.00, 110 size 11.00-12.00, 120 size 10.00-11.00. Quality good.

CHILE---Imports 33-26-21---Imports via boat. Movement expected to decrease sharply by about 50%. Port of Entry: Los Angeles\Long Beach, CA. Trading moderate. Prices unchanged. 18 kgm containers Summer Bartlett 70-80 size 20.00-22.00, 90 size 18.00-20.00, 100 size 14.00, 110 size 12.00-14.00, 120 size 10.00-12.00; Packham's Triumph 70-90 size 18.00-20.00, 100 size 14.00-16.00. Quality good.

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NOTE:

DATA FOR THIS REPORT ARE COLLECTED FROM PUBLIC, PRIVATE & SEMIPRIVATE WAREHOUSES, APPLE HOUSES WHERE FOOD PRODUCTS ARE GENERALLY STORED FOR 30 DAYS OR MORE. COMMODITIES IN SPACE OWNED OR LEASED & OPERATED BY THE ARMED SERVICES ARE NOT REPORTED. FOOD STOCKS HELD UNDER BOND ARE INCLUDED IN THE STORAGE DATA. ALL STOCKS ARE IN POUNDS EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE STATED. THOUSANDS OMITTED. ***Revised #Subject to Revision**

COMMODITY	FEB. 28, 2002	FEB. 28, 2003*	MAR. 31, 2002	MAR. 31, 2003#
FRESH FRUIT & NUTS				
APPLES: Regular Storage	324,764	270,100	187,258	147,362
C.A. Storage	2,632,823	2,694,314	2,033,890	2,025,909
PEARS: Bartletts	916	73	26	59
Others	187,141	191,166	135,727	134,590
NUTMEATS: Peanuts 541,345	306,156	562,626	311,946	
Pecans	42,295	39,153	45,795	39,974
Other	135,704	137,283	128,923	151,712
IN SHELL: Peanuts	15,645	15,556	17,361	16,542
Pecans	195,471	101,471	181,333	94,082
Other	14,185	7,311	11,447	9,429
TOTAL FRESH	4,090,289	3,768,583	3,304,386	2,921,605

FROZEN FRUITS & JUICES				
Apples	65,459	56,746	70,656	60,549
Apricots	4,343	3,447	3,815	3,096
Blackberries	21,792	17,252	19,930	16,711
Blueberries	84,492	65,838	75,051	56,493
Boysenberries	2,448	2,596	2,335	2,001
Cherries: Tart	117,680	40,365	108,023	36,408
Sweet	12,100	6,818	10,640	6,261
Grapes	4,124	6,069	3,805	5,592
Peaches	51,198	52,310	43,959	44,590
Raspberries: Black	2,486	1,939	2,257	1,788
Red	36,220	38,017	31,849	32,048
Strawberries	170,540	203,663	150,017	183,968
Other Frozen Fruit	375,838	361,950	337,088	330,953
TOTAL FROZEN FRUIT	948,720	857,010	858,986	780,459
Frozen Orange Juice 1/	1,770,894	1,833,399	1,794,375	1,856,689
Other Frozen Juice	281,904	252,236	308,279	260,362
TOTAL FROZEN JUICE	2,052,798	2,085,635	2,102,654	2,117,051

1/ Adjusted to 42.0 degrees Brix equivalent (9.896 pounds per gallon)

**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity,
United States, March 2003**

Commodity	:	Stocks in All Warehouses		:	Percent of		:	Public Warehouse Stocks	
	:	Mar 31,	Feb 28,	:	Mar 31,	Mar	:	Feb	Mar 31,
	:	2002	2003	:	2003	2002	:	2003	2003
	:	1,000 Pounds				Percent		1,000 Lbs	
Frozen Fruit	:								
Apples	:	70,656	56,746		60,549	86		107	
Apricots	:	3,815	3,447		3,096	81		90	
Blackberries, Total	:	19,930	17,252		16,711	84		97	
IQF	:	12,342	11,261		10,998	89		98	
Pails and Tubs	:	2,478	1,449		1,361	55		94	
Barrels, 400 lbs net	:	3,981	3,953		3,825	96		97	
Concentrate	:	1,129	589		527	47		89	
Blueberries	:	75,051	65,838		56,493	75		86	
Boysenberries	:	2,335	2,596		2,001	86		77	
Cherries, Tart (RTP)	:	106,151	38,771		34,971	33		90	
Cherries, Tart (Juice)	:	1,872	1,594		1,437	77		90	
Cherries, Sweet	:	10,640	6,818		6,261	59		92	
Grapes	:	3,805	6,069		5,593	147		92	
Peaches	:	43,959	52,310		44,590	101		85	
Raspberries, Black	:	2,257	1,939		1,788	79		92	
Raspberries, Red, Total	:	31,849	38,017		32,048	101		84	
IQF	:	11,944	14,082		12,537	105		89	
Pails and Tubs	:	7,181	8,821		7,317	102		83	
Barrels, 400 lbs net	:	11,595	14,206		11,356	98		80	
Concentrate	:	1,129	908		838	74		92	
Strawberries, Total	:	150,017	203,663		183,968	123		90	
IQF and Poly	:	98,112	125,114		113,760	116		91	
Pails and Tubs	:	33,872	46,561		40,668	120		87	
Barrels and Drums	:	11,348	25,049		21,703	191		87	
Juice Stock	:	6,685	6,939		7,837	117		113	
Other Frozen Fruit	:	337,088	361,950		330,953	98		91	
Total	:	858,986	857,010		780,459	91		91	632,611
Frozen Juice	:								
Orange Juice Conc. 1/ (Gallon Equivalent)	:	1,794,375	1,833,399		1,856,689	103		101	
Other Juice Concentrate	:	308,279	252,236		260,362	84		103	
Total	:	2,102,654	2,085,635		2,117,051	101		102	209,190

1/ Adjusted to 42.0 degrees Brix equivalent (9.896 pounds per gallon).

**Stocks in Cold Storage: By Commodity, Region,
and United States, March 31, 2003**

COMMODITY - 1,000 Pounds	:	New	:	Middle	:	East	:	West	:	
	:	England	:	Atlantic	:	North	:	North	:	South
	:		:		:	Central	:	Central	:	Atlantic

Frozen Fruit - - -	:					
Apples	:	61	18,450	31,265	202	1,109
Blueberries	:	11,905	4,122	26,062	1,392	1,545
Cherries, Tart (RTP)	:	6	2,750	23,580	756	638
Cherries, Sweet	:		350	2,617	491	39
Peaches	:	20	2,335	5,439	1,970	412
Raspberries, Red	:	140	1,025	1,078	86	118
Strawberries, Total	:	100	4,423	4,109	693	950
Other Frozen Fruit	:	44,023	13,130	166,961	2,503	4,572
Frozen Juice - - -	:					
Orange Juice Conc. 2/	:	193		962	133	1,776,466
Other Juice Concentrate	:	640	27,467	10,244	2,277	112,538

COMMODITY - 1,000 Pounds	:	East	:	West	:	
	:	South	:	South	:	Mountain
	:	Central	:	Central	:	Pacific
	:		:		:	US
	:		:		:	Total

Frozen Fruit - - -	:					
Apples	:	91	1,453	214	7,704	60,549
Blueberries	:	139	594	234	10,500	56,493
Cherries, Tart (RTP)	:	8	1,106	998	5,129	34,971
Cherries, Sweet	:	1	80	779	1,904	6,261
Peaches	:	42	1,350	117	32,905	44,590
Raspberries, Red	:	130	414	1	29,056	32,048
Strawberries, Total	:	849	21,527	242	151,075	183,968
Other Frozen Fruit	:	151	14,601	6,030	78,982	330,953
Frozen Juice - - -	:					
Orange Juice Concentrate	:	85	7,449	81	71,320	1,856,689
Other Juice Concentrate	:	138	21,261	354	85,443	260,362

2/ Middle Atlantic combined with South Atlantic.

Apples in Cold Storage: By State and United States, March 2003

S T A T E	:	All Warehouses		
1,000 pounds	:			
	:	Mar 31,	Feb 28,	Mar 31
	:	2002	2003	2003

CA	:	21,348	29,008	20,519
MI	:	178,996	99,044	58,155
N ENG	:	10,895	14,899	10,347
NY	:	148,974	160,524	120,624
OH	:	5,580	3,415	2,045
OR	:	20,332	21,629	17,526
PA	:	158,217	136,805	109,976
VA	:	78,500	79,771	63,666
WA	:	1,535,856	2,350,000	1,715,784
WV	:	41,306	47,121	29,794
Other States	:	21,144	22,198	14,835
U.S. TOTAL	:	2,221,148	2,964,414	2,163,271
